

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 23-28 are being added.

This amendment adds claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-28 are now pending in this application.

**Telephonic Interview on April 21, 2005**

During a telephonic interview conducted on April 21, 2005, Examiner Pang indicated that a supplemental amendment adding new claims corresponding to claims previously indicated as containing allowable subject matter would be entered and considered. Claims 2, 4, 5, 13, 15, and 16 were previously indicated as containing allowable subject matter in the Office Action mailed November 1, 2004. New claims 23-28 correspond to former claims 2, 4, 5, 13, 15, and 16 placed in independent form. Accordingly, Applicants submit the proposed amendment here in an effort to further advance prosecution of the present application.

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or

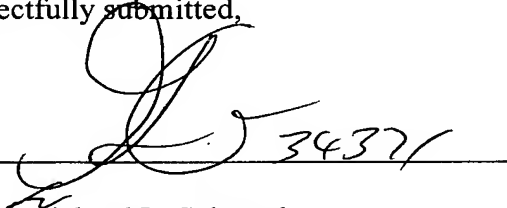
even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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